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COMMERCIAL.

COTTON AND YARN.

Messrs James F. Hutton & Co. Ltd., Manchester, in their weekly market report dated Nov. 12 say:—It is now over three months since we issued our last report on July 30th, on which day the Liverpool Cotton Market closed for the usual August Holiday but owing to the outbreak of war did not reopen. Except for nominal spot quotations the Cotton Exchange remained closed until last Friday, the 8th inst., when it was reopened for ready-made trading, Sat.

June 1st, trading being only for ready-made cotton at a minimum price of 4.5d. per lb. With this reopening of the Liverpool Market we have decided to resume our report, especially as there is in many quarters some new business doing, although generally only in small lots; yet a few bulk orders have been done for China in staples.

The New York Cotton Market still remains closed but it is expected to reopen next week, as also the Liverpool Market may be opened for unrestricted trading very soon. There has been a good demand from Spinners for cotton at Liverpool and a further step in the direction of fully opening the market has been taken to day in allowing sales of futures to be made on new account with fixed minimum prices.

A general idea of cotton values in Liverpool during the past 3 months can be obtained from the way Mid American prices have been manipulated by the Liverpool Cotton Exchange. The market closed on July 30th with Mid America at 5.8d., on August 18th it was nominally dropped to 6.50, August 18th to 6.20, September 8th to 6.00, September 17th to 5.80, September 24th to 5.65, September 30th 5.50, October 16th 5.05, October 27th 4.80, and on partial reopening on November 8th, 4.84, since when it has advanced to 4.85.

Shipping to India during the above has shown a fair decline on previous months except to Calcutta which has taken larger quantities than ever, but this month and next month must show an even greater falling off, and if clearances should show some improvement in the importing centres in India the outlook would be much brighter.

Windmill fighting has been a peculiar feature of the struggle in Flanders. On both sides these peaceful objects of the countryside have been used as signalling towers and range-finding stations, until a rotating shell has made matchwood of them, set them ablaze, and sent them tumbling about the ears of their tenants like card houses in a sudden draught. Church towers and mills have suffered alike in the tornado.

A correspondent writing from London at the end of October says: "I spent an hour this afternoon in calling upon several publishing houses and learned, somewhat to my surprise, that the demand for books, even for works of fiction, is as great now as in normal times. More books are sold in October, November, and December than during all the remaining months of the year, and if the autumn season fails the whole publishing trade loses heavily."

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bars I see twenty, fifty and then a hundred

fuses howling dimly and desperately.

A hundred faces of

lunatics glaring at me. Several were

sobbing and others gasping, seemingly

overcome by the smoke from the guns.

They were all there, with their pitiful

mudinity, within range of fire. Perhaps

some of them understand.

A few are like wild beasts trapped by fire,

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ally attempting to break through them. The

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retreat; they were left in the asylum

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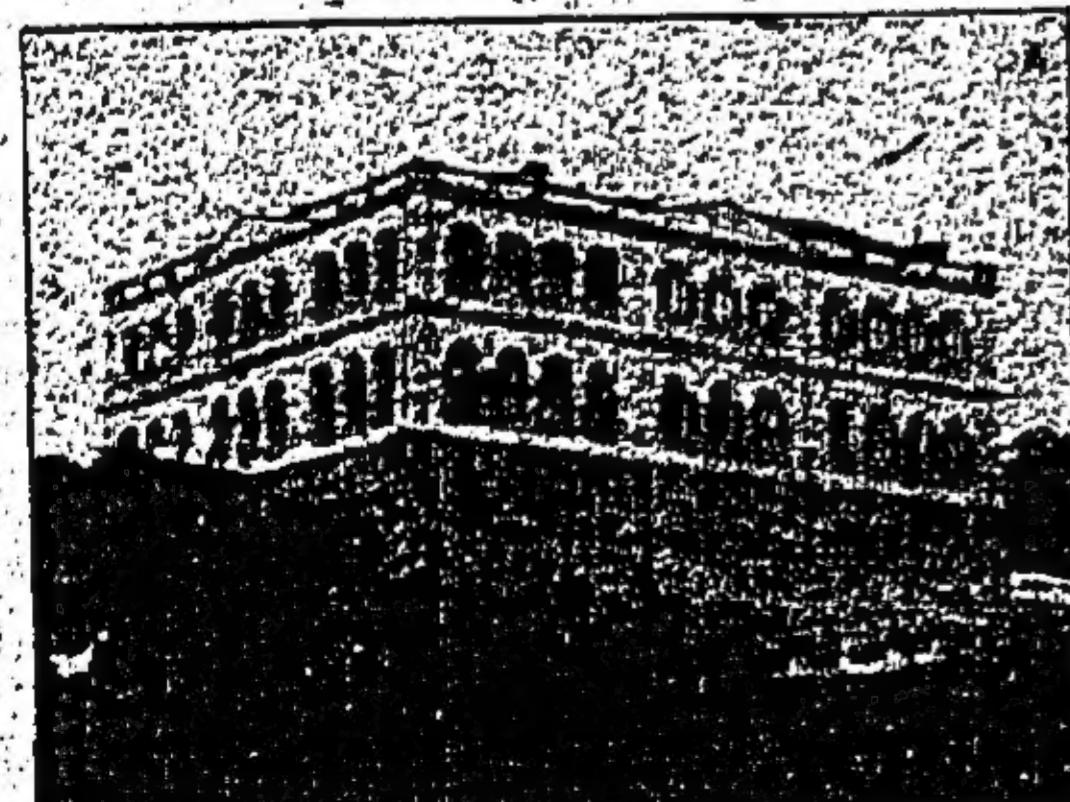
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MARRIAGES.

CALDER SMITH-RAPLEY.—Nov. 16, at the Oratory, Frank, son of Mr. Robert Calder Smith, of Manila, to Irene, daughter of Captain Adrian R. Pley.

ROBERT MORTON.—Nov. 14, at St. John's Church, Westminster, Philip C. Morton, third son of John Morten, of Knutsford, to Miss Emily Greer, third daughter of Mr. Henry Mossop, Ashford, Middlesex.

THOMAS DOWDELL.—Nov. 14, at Stamford, B.C., Stephen, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Thomas, of Summerland, B.C., Evelyn Eleanor, only daughter of Fredrick and Lura Dowdell, of Vandewarton, C.W., formerly of Hongkong.

DEATH.

GEORGE TAYLOR.—Nov. 19, at Bournemouth, William George Taylor, formerly of Singapore, aged 67.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Dec. 22, 1914.

CANADIAN VIEWS OF A
GERMAN INVASION.

For some time past, no little amusement has been caused in Canada by what appear to be explanations on the part of Count von Bernstorff, Germany's representative at Washington, to the effect that Germany has no intention of annexing Canada! Amusement, mixed with indignation, has likewise been in evidence in the United States regarding the controversy commenced by Germany as to the scope of the Monroe Doctrine, which, as is well-known, has long been a source of irritation to the Teutons. In the "Literary Digest" to hand we observe that several caustic comments have been appearing in Canada with reference to Germany's pretensions. Canada, in fact, smiles at Count von Bernstorff, refuses to take Dr. Bernstorff, Germany's Colonial Secretary—(in what part of the world are there now German Colonies?)—and even makes it plain that she does not take the Monroe Doctrine too seriously. In commenting on von Bernstorff's recent promise that Germany will not annex Canada, the majority of the Canadian papers seem a little sarcastic, while the few which deal seriously with the matter seize it as an excuse to beat the recruiting-drum for the British Army. This comment obviously points to the fact that, both in Canada and the United States, the bluster and arrogance of the Teuton is regarded at its true value and treated with the contempt which it deserves.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

THE DIARY.

General Memoranda

TUESDAY, December 24.—
11 a.m.—Auction of English Jewellery at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
11 a.m.—Auction of Wines and Spirits at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, Dec. 26 & 27.—
H.K. Cricket Club "At Home" to United Services.

FRIDAY, December 25.—
Christmas Day.

SATURDAY, December 26.—
Boxing Day.

SUNDAY, December 27.—
8 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, January 1 & 2.—
H.K. Cricket Club "At Home" to Rest of League.

SATURDAY, January 2.—
9.15 p.m.—"Snowwhite and the Frog Prince" by the A.D.C. at Theatre Royal, in aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

WEDNESDAY, January 6.—
4.30 p.m.—"Snowwhite and the Frog Prince" by the A.D.C. at Theatre Royal, in aid of Belgian Relief Fund.

SUNDAY, January 10.—
Field Day for Volunteers and Reserves.

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"this diplomacy now proceeds at a most opportune moment to arouse American apprehensions anew by calling in question the effectiveness of their cherished Monroe Doctrine. Why should the German diplomats go out of their way to stir up that question at all? Why not let a sleeping eagle rest? If there be any answer, except the incurable stupidity of that diplomacy, sities Bismarck retired, we do not know it."

The Star proceeds to chide the Americans for their lack of foresight, and hints that if they took a really broad view of their interests they would at this moment be fighting with the Allies for the purpose "of making doubly sure of the final paralysis of German Imperialism." It says: There is not a shadow of doubt in our minds that the Americans would fight—if they could fight with any hope of success—against a German occupation of Canada. Whether they could fight with success, after the destruction of the British Navy and the subjection of Europe had made a German occupation of Canada possible, we beg leave to doubt. But, for the present, it is—happily—not a question of fighting the Germans in Canada. The British Navy ridges between, and the Allied armies stand between.

The Halifax (N.S.) Morning Chronicle is polite to the German Ambassador, but refuses to be alarmed. It observes: "It is very considerate of Count von Bernstorff to inform the American people that a German invasion of Canada is out of the question. Quite so. The Kaiser's legions have more than they can handle nearer home, and their invading days are rapidly drawing to a close."

The London (Ont.) Advertiser is indignant with certain American papers for coming to the conclusion that the Dominion will be to blame should Berlin and Washington be drawn into a controversy and that Canada should have remained neutral. It remarks: "We were under the impression that Canada's loyalty to the Empire was something so big, so obvious, that our taking part in this conflict would never be questioned. To a Canadian, to remain neutral during an Empire crisis such as exists to day would be a monstrous thing."

It then proceeds to give what it considers to be the real reason for bringing up the question at this moment: "The fact is that all these semi-official German statements in regard to the Monroe Doctrine have been dashed up largely for Washington consumption. Von Bernstorff declares that Germany subscribes to the Monroe Doctrine only as regards South and Central America, and follows this up with reassuring statement to the effect that Canada is not to be invaded. From here, it looks—as if Germany was tactfully telling Uncle Sam that she has neither fear nor regard for the Monroe Doctrine. She retains the privilege of invading Canada, but doesn't intend to. Evidently the Monroe Doctrine is to remain a live issue."

These comments obviously point to the fact that, both in Canada and the United States, the bluster and arrogance of the Teuton is regarded at its true value and treated with the contempt which it deserves.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

In order to afford their patrons increased facilities for Christmas shopping, Messrs. GMC & Co. are keeping their toy store open until 7 o'clock every evening during the present week.

A watchman named Singh, employed at Noosa Jack's a brat-building-bed, Tai Kok Tsui has complained to the Police that during the night some person entered his store in the basement of 20 Queen's Road East by means of a false key and stole three cases of imitation Chinese earthenware and a quantity of glassware of the total value of \$400.

Australia has its own clothing, ready-made, ammunition, and small arms factories controlled by Government authorities. These factories have been working night and day since war was declared, making supplies for the Australian Expeditionary Force, as well as for local defence.

The same note of genuine satire is sounded by the Montreal Daily Star, which, after a few caustic remarks upon Germany's "blunderheaded diplomacy," goes on to state that

CHRISTMAS AT THE
SHOP.PREPARATIONS FOR THE
FESTIVAL.

In the Far East it is difficult for a Britisher brought up in a colder climate to get the true Christmas feeling. Blazing fires and, if possible, snow, have become an integral part of the environment of festivity. Still, old customs, of even trivial importance die hard, and such a festival as Christmas will always keep up for its great religious significance. As a rule Hongkong celebrates very whole-heartedly despite the somewhat unfavourable environment, and though this year the war has upset practically everything there are many signs that the season is not to be allowed to pass unnoticed. The shopkeepers have made much lavish preparations, and the notice found below may serve as a guide to shoppers:

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There is about Messrs. Powell's store and the goods it contains an air of quiet good taste and distinctiveness which cannot fail to appeal to the discriminating shopper. An inspection of their stock impresses one with the feeling that a much thought has been devoted to the designing of the goods as their manufacturer. This is saying a lot, because a cheap article—cheap in every sense but that it is economical—never has much time spent upon its planning. The care manifested in the choice of their stock is exemplified by the fact that in the outfitting departments as a rule only two articles of the same pattern are bought.

The Halifax (N.S.) Morning Chronicle is enhanced by the Christmas toy bazaar, which will make a magnetic appeal to the young folk. Toys and games innumerable, including many mechanical masterpieces are set out in alluring array. For older people looking for presents there is ample choice in the outfitting and furnishing departments. A specially attractive feature is the collection of electro-plate and glassware, and in oak furniture there are many exclusive designs in winter goods for men and the very latest things in evening wear will be found at the branch store in Queen's Road.

ALEXANDRA CAFE.

One place which is indispensable at this time of year is the Alexandra Cafe. The bakery in connection with this well-known establishment has recently been working day and night in order to cope with the Christmas orders, and at the moment there are piles of cakes, puddings and mincemeat ready for delivery. A speciality, too, is made of cooked poultry, of which there is a good stock in hand.

Fancy boxes of chocolates suitable for presentation and many tempting dainties in winter goods for men and the very latest things in evening wear will be found at the branch store in Queen's Road.

MESSRS. WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW
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Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Company's huge store is packed with a stock so varied that nothing like a comprehensive description is possible. If the shopper in search of gifts has no settled convictions on the point dozens of articles will speedily suggest themselves. This is the place to bring the little ones, for a special place has been set apart for the display of toys, most of which have the merit of British manufacture to recommend them. The outfitting departments are always up to date, and just now the latest winter goods are on view, these comprising stocks of the celebrated Dexter rainproofs, which serve the double purpose of overcoat and waterproof. In the fancy departments the only difficulty which will beset one in buying a present is the widened range of the choice offered. This firm, by buying and selling for cash, is able to give its customers very good value.

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"Watson's" means the hall mark of excellence; that has been proved many times over during the history of this old-established Far Eastern firm. Years of intimate acquaintance with the residents of the colony has given the firm numerous opportunities of providing the requirements in which they specialize. A keen desire to obtain for customers what they may require has built the reputation of the firm upon a substantial basis. As chemists, Messrs. Watson and Co. excel. Drugs, patent medicines and all other medicines are dispensed by a fully qualified staff and prescriptions are made up under strict European supervision. As wine merchants of long standing in the East they know the liquors best suitable to a tropical thirst while the tremendous stocks in the cellars put on "age" will last for many years, for Messrs. Watsons have an eye to the future as well as to the present. The wines and liquors dispensed at these stores will have the choice of a host of beautiful jewels in various settings. Gold or platinum wrist watches for ladies, or the new thin pocket watches for men make very acceptable gifts, while for the boys there are some quite inexpensive metal

MESSRS. FALCONER AND CO.

The problem of what to choose for a Christmas gift can be easily solved by visit to Messrs. Falconer's. There is nothing so much appreciated as jewelry, and it has the advantage also of being enduring. That such presents are necessarily expensive is a fallacy, for quite inexpensive and at the same time inexpensive specimens of English silverware of both ornament and utility are procurable. Those with larger purses will have the choice of a host of beautiful jewels in various settings. Gold or platinum wrist watches for ladies, or the new thin pocket watches for men make very acceptable gifts, while for the boys there are some quite inexpensive metal

A. PERFUMERY STORE.

The Hongkong Turkish Bath Co., which has merged from the Pura Toilette Saloon, now ranks among the finest hairdressing and bathing saloons and perfumery stores in the Far East. The appliances used for the Turkish baths are of the best quality and bathing is conducted by fully qualified attendants. Special days are set apart for ladies. The management have augmented the usual stock of high class perfumes for which the establishment is so widely recommended and anyone who is contemplating the purchase of Oriental curiosities will be well advised to give the house a call.

THE DAIRY FARM CO.

By the Dairy Farm Company Christmas is anticipated and prepared for many months ahead. Flocks of turkeys and poultry have been fattening at their farms in readiness for the table and these, with many varieties of game, are now in the town depot, Wyndham Street, ready for selection. The company by reason of the modern refrigerating plant installed at its new depot, possesses unusual facilities for dealing with a large stock of birds. Immediately on receipt from the farm they are placed in the cold rooms to chill, and by the time they reach the customer they are quite ready for the table. Many other necessities for the Christmas table include some famous brands of ham, a varied stock of cured meats, sausages, pickles, pates, and everything necessary for stuffing the poultry. The company's products are too well known and appreciated to need any eulogium of their quality.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

The Victoria Dispensary will commence itself to British residents just now as an ideal place in which to shop, for a special display of all British goods is being made in the fancy department. The British perfumery is by each a well-known firm as Yardley, and includes several new and exquisite scents, among them being the celebrated Australian Golden Willow. In cut glass bottles or the old English green bottles with tasteful silver casings of Chinese workmanship, these perfumes make ideal gifts for close friends. A special shipment of Cadbury's and Pamela's confectionery in fancy boxes has been received and makes quite a display in the store. The dispensary stocks everything that a smart needs from tobacco and cigar cases to cases of pipes and holders. Among a number of attractive articles just two more may be mentioned—the manicure sets in silver and other mountings, and a new British safety razor, the Y.S.C., which embodies several new features including rust-resisting qualities.

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THE NEW ARMY.

REDUCTION OF AGE FOR TEM-
PORARY COMMISSIONS.

Headquarters,
South China Command,
Hongkong.
2nd Dec. 1914.

The General Officer Commanding, South China Command, notifies that intimation has been received from the Secretary of State for War (Earl Kitchener) that the minimum age limit for temporary commissions in the New Army has been reduced to 22 years, and that applications may now be submitted accordingly.

SCOTTISH SPORT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
EDINBURGH, November 12.

There was nothing sensational in Scottish League football, the success of the majority of visiting teams coming as in the natural order of things. With all the leading clubs on the winning side, the placings were not affected; but at the other end of the table Queen's Park are found in what unfortunately is not a new position. The Hibernians had a desperate struggle against Clyde, and with less than half an hour to go finished with a goal behind, but they put on a strong finish and came out all right. Kilmarock made a splendid recovery from a disastrous beginning that gave hopes of their emulating Ayre United by defeating Celtic. Unfortunately their forwards lapsed into their early season form and had lamentable weakness towards goal. Dundee were beaten in losing only their finish, and came out all right. Kilmarock made a splendid recovery from a disastrous beginning that gave hopes of their emulating Ayre United by defeating Celtic.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.
Clyde, 1; Hibernians, 2;
Hibernians, 2; Dunbar, 2;
Falkirk, 1; Ayr United, 1;
Aberdeen, 1; Raith Rovers, 3;
Kilmarnock, 1; Celtic, 1;
Rangers, 4; Queen's Park, 1;
Third Lanark, 0; St. Mirren, 0;
Airdrieonians, 4; Motherwell, 1;
Greenock Morton, 2; Dundee, 6;
Hamilton Academicals, 2; Partick Thistle, 2.

SECOND DIVISION.
Vale of Leven, 1; Leith, 1;
Abercorn, 3; East Stirlingshire, 3;
Johnstone, 3; Albion Rovers, 2;
St. Johnstone, 4; Clydebank, 3;
Dundee Hibernians, 0; Dunfermline Athletic, 2;
Cowdenbeath, 3; Arthurstone, 1.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A.
Chapman, V.D.

APPOINTMENT.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Sergeant R. J. Stevenson of the H.K.V.R. to be Warrant Officer (Sergeant Major Instructor) with the rank of Honorary 2nd Lieutenant in the Engineer Company, H.K.V.C., with effect from 17th December 1914.

PARADES.

Parades for Tuesday 22nd instant:
5.00 p.m. Musketry Instruction on Kennedy Road Range for the following recruits—Eight Section M. G. Co. Pits.
E. A. Hyndman, G. Parsons, Hines,
Machado, A. J. V. Ribiero, Rathman, N.
W. Ramsey, C. V. F. Ribiero, Rathman,
N. W. Ramsey, C. V. F. Ribiero, Roma,
Silas, Tavares, Vilman and Minchinton.
Major Colley D. C. L. will attend.

5.10 p.m. Centre Section M. G. Co. at Kowloon Docks Launch leaves Statue Pier at 4.30 p.m.

5.15 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections Artillery and left Section M. G. Co. 10 pdr. drill at Headquarters.

Reminder. Musketry Exercises under Company Officers.

DETACHMENT.

Orderly Officer Lieut. T. G. Weall.
Orderly Sergeant Sergt. Murdoch.
To furnish Guard to-night Left Section M. G. Co.

To furnish Guard to-morrow Centre Section M. G. Co.

PARADE.

Parades for Wednesday 23rd instant:
Nil.

DETAIL.

Orderly Officer Lieut. T. G. Weall.

Orderly Sergeant Sergt. Murdoch.

To furnish Guard to-morrow Centre Section M. G. Co.

To furnish Guard to-morrow Civil Service Company.

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Another "invention" is due to the wife of the Minister of War. Usually all trains bearing wounded from the front have always been immediately sent back to bring others in like case. These trains still run to and fro but instead of one journey being undertaken with empty carriages, as was formerly the case, now as the men are taken out their place is filled by all sorts and conditions of necessaries for those at the other end of the line, i.e., medical stores, provisions, clothing, extra bedding, blankets, tobacco—everything in fact that can be of most use at the particular point from which each train has come.

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SHANGHAI, (Capt. H. POWELL) About 30th Dec. 1914.
SHANGHAI, (Capt. S. BACHMAN) About 31st Dec. 1914.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS (Capt. W. H. SWENY, R.N.A.) Noon 1st Jan. See Special ADVERTISEMENT OF CALL.
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E.M. Thurs.	noon				Friday	Thursday
Dec. 17	MALTA..... Dec. 14 Dec. 18	18 MALWA	Jan. 16	JAN. 22		
Dec. 18	NAGOYA ... Dec. 29 Jan. 4	1 MOREA	Jan. 20	FEB. 5		
Dec. 19	ARCADIA ... Jan. 10 Jan. 16	16 MALOJA	Feb. 13	FEB. 10		
Dec. 20	SARDINIA ... Feb. 8 Feb. 14	22 MOOLTAN	Feb. 27	MAR. 5		
Dec. 21	NEBIA ... Feb. 8 Feb. 14	18 MOLDAVIA	Mar. 13	MAR. 19		
Dec. 22	OREGON ... Feb. 23 Feb. 29	22 EGYPT	Mar. 27	APR. 2		
Dec. 23	MALTA ... Mar. 8 Mar. 20	15 MEDINA	Apr. 10	APR. 16		
Dec. 24	SARDINIA ... Mar. 20 Mar. 26	28 MONGOLIA	Apr. 24	APR. 30		
Dec. 25	NUBIA ... Apr. 5 Apr. 11	9 MALVA	May 8	MAY 14		
Dec. 26	ORIENTAL ... Apr. 20 Apr. 26	24 MOREA	May 22	MAY 28		
Dec. 27	MALTA ... May 3 May 9	7 MALOJA	June 5	JUNE 11		
Dec. 28	SARDINIA ... May 17 May 23	21 MOOLTAN	June 19	JUNE 25		

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2nd SALOON "A"	"	"	289.			
" "	"	"	288.			
" "	"	"	280.			
1st SALOON "A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	281.	RETURN	281.	
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	about	about	about	about	about	about
NAGOYA	Dec. 17	Dec. 28	JAN. 1	JAN. 8	Feb. 3	Feb. 11
NANKIN	Jan. 4	JAN. 15	JAN. 20	JAN. 28	FEB. 2	MAR. 3
FILE	Jan. 19	JAN. 29	FEB. 3	FEB. 9	MAR. 8	MAR. 17
TAMUR	Mar. 2	MAR. 12	MAR. 17	MAR. 23	APR. 20	APR. 29
MORE	Mar. 29	APR. 9	APR. 14	APR. 20	APR. 18	MAY 18
NELLORE	Apr. 12	APR. 23	APR. 28	MAY 4	JUNE 1	JUNE 10
NAGOYA	May 10	MAY 21	MAY 26	JUNE 1	JUNE 29	JULY 8

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KITANO MARU	WEDNESDAY, 23rd	Tons 16,000
MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ AND PORT SAID	Capt. Cope.	Tons 16,000
VICTORIA, E.C. & SEATILE, VIA SHANGHAI, MOUL KOBE, YOKKAICHI & YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY.	Tons 16,000
TAMBA MARU	TUESDAY.	Tons 12,500
NIKKO MARU	WEDNESDAY.	Tons 8,000
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	VIA MANILA, THURSDAY.	Tons 8,000
HITACHI MARU	WEDNESDAY.	Tons 12,000
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO	SATURDAY.	Tons 10,000
CALCUTTA, VIA SINGAPORE, TOSA MARU	SATURDAY.	Tons 12,000
NAGASAKI, KORE & HITACHI MARU	WEDNESDAY.	Tons 15,500
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Steamer	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
KATORI MARU	20,000 tons	Thursday, 28th January.
KAMO MARU	18,000 tons	Thursday, 11th February.
KASHIMA MARU	20,000 tons	Thursday, 25th February.
MISHIMA MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 1st March.
SUWA MARU	25,000 tons	Thursday, 28th March.
ATSUTA MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 8th April.
YASAKA MARU	23,000 tons	Thursday, 6th May.
MIYAKI MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 20th May.
KITANO MARU	16,000 tons	Thursday, 3rd June.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamer	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
AKI MARU	17,000 tons	Tuesday, 26th January.
SADO MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 9th February.
YOKOHAMA MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 23rd April.
AWA MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 9th March.
SHIDZUKA MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 23rd March.
TAMPA MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 20th April.
AKI MARU	12,000 tons	Tuesday, 4th May.
SADO MARU	12,000 tons	

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As follows:—

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Consisting of:—

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Comprising:—

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SUNDRY CASES OF WINES AND

SPIRITS.

Consisting of:—

John Robertson's Scotch Whisky, Bock

"Gold Seal" Sparkling and Still, and a

number of assorted Wines,

Also

A QUANTITY OF

MANILA CIGARS,

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winter weather will see the outdoor camps broken up and the residents comfortably housed. At Frimley the sanitary arrangements are improving. Thirdly rations are—Meat, 1 lb.; white bread, 1½ lbs.; vegetables (potatoes, carrots and turnips), 8 oz.; butter, 1 oz.; tea, 1 oz.; and the usual condiments. They can supplement this from the canteen with fruit, biscuits, jam, and preserves. Tobacco and cigarettes can also be bought, and the commandant says that the price is a fair one. The men, just like our recruits, have to provide their own cooks for each mess, which is given the proper intensity, while each man is provided with knife, fork, spoon, and mug. Payment of 5s. to 7s. a week is made to those selected to do the cooking or the other work of the camp. Two army blankets per man is the rule, but owing to the material shortage in these articles there has been a delay in some cases in providing a second blanket; this will be remedied before cold weather arrives. For those actually in need of new clothes the Government have supplied a suit of serviceable cloth and a full rig out of warm under-clothing, together with a brush and comb and towels. In the camps under cover there are shower baths and hot water, and every man must have a bath once a week at least. There is a dispensary, at which the prisoners can buy simple remedies. Each camp has a hospital in charge of army doctors, and an isolation ward for infectious cases. German and Austrian tanks are available for those who desire them. As for discipline, the camps are ruled under the authority of the War Office—practically martial law. The commandants can inflict such light penalties as stopping letters or books for trivial offences, while a court-martial of three officers would need to investigate any serious charge. Such a proceeding has not become necessary so far, however. It has already been stated that steps are now being taken to give those who can afford to pay separate quarters and sergents to do their domestic work.

The great problem is the difficulty of finding thousands of men useful occupation without competing with British labour. Several utilitarian suggestions have been made which are impracticable owing to the necessity of keeping the prisoners under guard. Many of them have found pleasure in making their own wooden bedsheets from lumber, and mattresses as well. Two hundred and fifty prisoners have been sent from Edinburgh to Stobs to build a colony of huts for winter occupation, and doubtless this sort of work will be resorted to largely to keep the others employed. The same course is being taken in the Isle of Man.

There are some 20 of these camps all over the country, and although it was impossible to instal at once in the open spaces sanitary conveniences with up-to-date flushing arrangements, everything was done short of this to conform with hygienic requirements in this respect. The chief inspector of these camps, Sir Henry Thornhill, makes it his business to look after this and kindred matters, being assisted in his work by two senior medical officers who are continually making a circuit of the camps. The absence of soft beds for non-combatants of good position can be remedied by those with money to buy them. The prisoners are allowed to receive money from their relatives on the Continent. They can write home twice a week, though all letters have to pass the Censor, together with all other letters which leave England.

Beyond the fact that they are not at liberty to come and go as they please, the 3,000 men interned at Douglas, Isle of Man, have certainly nothing to complain of. The camp is healthily situated on high ground, and the buildings include a spacious dining-hall, with accommodation for 3,000 diners, kitchens fitted with modern cooking appliances, bake-house, a swimming-bath, and the most complete sanitary arrangements. There is an abundant water supply and an electric light installation. The prisoners sleep eight in a tent. One of them is constituted corporal of each tent, and he is responsible for those men; and there is a captain, also a prisoner, who is responsible for a company of 12 tents. Any complaints have to be made through these officers. The camp is carefully inspected daily by the commandant, Colonel Madoc. There is an abundance of good food. Breakfast consists of porridge, bread, and tea; dinner of meat, potatoes, bread, and one vegetable; and tea or bread and butter and tea. The prisoners are given as much exercise as possible, being encouraged to play football and other outdoor games, while two hundred are daily sent out for a constitutional round the beautiful lanes near Douglas under escort. A concert is held every Saturday night, the programme being entirely furnished by the prisoners, many of whom are accomplished musicians. The performances of a full orchestra are exceptionally fine. Knitting and darning classes are held so that the prisoners may be taught to supply their own socks and mends their clothes. Destitute prisoners, who have been in the proportion of 20 per cent., are supplied with clothes by the Government.

We adhering to the terms of The Hague Convention No. 4 of 1907 regarding the treatment of prisoners of war. All their personal belongings of a non-military character remain their own. They are freely using the privilege of sending and receiving letters and parcels post free, and presents are admitted duty free. Adequate arrangements have been made for the prisoners to worship and attend religious services according to creed.

Article XVII of Convention 4 says that officers taken prisoners shall receive the same rate of pay as officers of corresponding rank in the country where they are detained, the amount to be ultimately refunded by their own Government. Accordingly, as soon as the British Government learn that our officer captives in Germany are receiving full pay, the German officers in Britain will be given the same. Pending a communication on this point through a neutral intermediary, the officers here are receiving half pay.

The only complaint from the German officers in Britain emanates from those attached to the Red Cross and medical services, who declare that they ought to be sent back to Germany.

Germany, on the other hand, holds all prisoners some 30 or 40 of our medical-officers, and doubtless an exchange will soon be effected. Meanwhile, the German medics are helping our own doctors in tending the German wounded, who are being brought over in increasing numbers. The German and Austrian civilian doctors, however, are to be repatriated, together with all permanent invalids and all enemy aliens of non-military age.

Most of the officers are interned in a spacious mansion at Duffryn Hall, Wales. They meet as if they were in barracks, and are permitted to employ waiters, and also servants and orderlies, whom they can select at will from among the rank and file soldiers. The officers are on excellent terms with the British Commandant-in-Charge, and their only source of dissatisfaction, other than a natural distaste to being confined in a limited area, is that the undulations of the ground in which they take exercise preclude football and similar sports. Doubtless this little grievance can be easily removed.

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